

# REPORT

FROM

## STANDING COMMITTEE A

ON THE

### PUBLIC LIBRARIES (IRELAND) BILL

WITH THE

### PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMITTEE.

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## STANDING COMMITTEE A.

[Thursday, 19th February, 1920].—Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had nominated the following Members to serve on Standing Committee A:—

## STANDING COMMITTEE A.

Sir John Harwood-Banner.	Mr. Haydn Jones.
Sir William Barton.	Mr. Kenyon.
Mr. Betterton.	Mr. Kiley.
Sir Alfred Bird.	Mr. Lawton.
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Mr. Colin Coote.	Lieutenant-Colonel Malone.
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Mr. Gratton Doyle.	Major O'Neill.
Mr. Forester-Walker.	Mr. Allen Parkinson.
Mr. Galbraith.	Sir William Raeburn.
Mr. Gould.	Mr. Rameson.
Mr. Grant.	Mr. Robertson.
Mr. John Guest.	Mr. Roger.
Mr. Hartshorn.	Colonel Roundell.
Major Hilla.	Mr. Alexander Shaw.
Mr. Hinds.	Mr. Stich.
Mr. Hirst.	Sir Allen Smith.
Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Samuel Hoare.	Brigadier-General Surtees.
Mr. Hurd.	Major Wheeler.
Lieutenant-Colonel Jackson.	Mr. Charles White.
Sir Edgar Jones.	Sir Alfred Yeo.

[Tuesday, 16th March, 1920].—Selection (Standing Committees).—Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Member to Standing Committee A: Dr. Addison.

[Wednesday, 21st April, 1920].—Selection (Standing Committees).—Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A: Mr. Galbraith; and had appointed in substitution: Dr. Farquharson.

[Thursday, 10th June, 1920].—Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill,—read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

Sheriffs (Ireland) Bill,—read a second time, and committed to a Standing Committee.

[Friday, 11th June, 1920].—

DISTRIBUTION BY MR. SPEAKER, PURSUANT TO STANDING ORDER No. 47,  
OF BILLS COMMITTED TO A STANDING COMMITTEE.

Name of Bill.	Standing Committee.
Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill . . . . .	A.
Sheriffs (Ireland) Bill . . . . .	A.

[*Tuesday, 15th June, 1920*]:—Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Member to Standing Committee A: Mr. Solicitor-General for Scotland.

[*Thursday, 17th June, 1920*]:—Standing Committees (Chairmen's Panel).—Mr. John William Wilson reported from the Chairmen's Panel: That they had appointed Mr. Hodge to act as Chairman of Standing Committee A (in respect of the Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill and the Sheriffs (Ireland) Bill).

[*Thursday, 17th June, 1920*]:—Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Ten Members to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill and the Sheriffs (Ireland) Bill): Sir Robert Balfour, Mr. Barrand, Mr. Charles Barrie, Mr. James Bell, Captain Wedgwood Benn, Mr. Alfred Davies, Mr. Donald, Mr. Harrison, Mr. Solicitor-General for Ireland, and Mr. Daniel Wilson.

[*Thursday, 24th June, 1920*]:—Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A: Mr. Solicitor-General for Scotland.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A: Mr. Kiley; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. George Thorne.

[*Thursday, 1st July, 1920*]:—Selection (Standing Committees).—Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Members from Standing Committee A: Mr. George Thorne and Major Wholer; and had appointed in substitution: Mr. Kiley and Sir Frederick Young.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; That they had added the following Member to Standing Committee A: Lord Robert Cecil.

[*Wednesday, 7th July, 1920*]:—Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had added the following Members to Standing Committee A (in respect of the Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill and the Sheriffs (Ireland) Bill): Mr. McGuffin and Mr. Jellett.

[*Thursday, 8th July, 1920*]:—Selection (Standing Committees).—Sir Samuel Roberts reported from the Committee of Selection; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A: Lord Robert Cecil.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A: Sir Frederick Young; and had appointed in substitution: Major Wholer.

Sir Samuel Roberts further reported from the Committee; That they had discharged the following Member from Standing Committee A (added in respect of the Public Libraries (Ireland) Bill and the Sheriffs (Ireland) Bill): Mr. Jellett; and had appointed in substitution: Sir Maurice Dookrell.

## R E P O R T .

STANDING COMMITTEE A, to whom the PUBLIC LIBRARIES (IRELAND) BILL was referred;—

Have gone through the Bill and made Amendments thereunto.

13th July, 1920.

## STANDING COMMITTEE A.

Tuesday, 13th July, 1920.

## MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. HOGGE in the Chair.

Mr. Attorney-General for Ireland  
Mr. Barrand  
Mr. Betterton  
Sir Alfred Bird  
Colonel Burdon  
Mr. Colin Coote  
Major Cope  
Sir Joseph Davies  
Sir Maurice Dockrell  
Mr. Donald  
Major Farquharson  
Mr. Forester-Walker  
Mr. Grant

Mr. John Guest  
Mr. Hartshorn  
Mr. Hirst  
Lieut.-Colonel Sir Samuel Hoare  
Mr. Kiley  
Mr. Lawson  
Mr. M'Guffin  
Dr. Donald Murray  
Colonel Roundell  
Mr. Solicitor-General for Ireland  
Brigadier-General Surtees  
Mr. Taylor  
Sir Alfred Yeo

## PUBLIC LIBRARIES (IRELAND) BILL.

## Clause 1.

Amendment proposed, in page 1, line 14, at the end, to add the words:—

"(2) If any expenses are incurred for the purposes aforesaid during the local financial year ending on the thirty-first day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-one (whether before or after the passing of this Act), in excess of the amount that might be raised by a rate within the limit in force before the passing of this Act, the excess may, with the consent of the Local Government Board, be defrayed out of any rate or fund approved by the Board to an extent not exceeding the amount which might have been raised for the purposes aforesaid by a rate within the limit authorised by this Act"—(Mr. Attorney-General).

Question, "That the proposed words be there added,"—put, and agreed to.

Clause, as amended, agreed to.

Clause 2, agreed to.

Ordered; To Report the Bill, as amended, to the House.